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THE XXIII SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 4th September 2022

Holy Mass

Saturday for Sunday

5:30pm Vigil Mass

Intention

Mick & Joan Kelly
Diamond Wedding Anniv.

SUNDAY

9:00am Holy Mass

Derek & Glenice Fernando
Lorna Smyth RIP

11:00am Solemn Mass

Weekday Masses

Monday 5th

---- NO Mass

Tuesday 6th

---- NO Mass

Wednesday 7th

---- NO Mass

Thursday 8th The Birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9:30am Holy Mass Mgr Thomas Fallon RIP

---- NO Adoration

Please note the change of time

Friday 9th

9:30am Holy Mass at Saint Andrew's

11:00am – 12noon

Eucharistic Adoration

12noon Holy Mass Thomas & Catherine Larkin

Saturday 10th

10:00am Holy Mass Martin McDonagh

12noon Holy Baptism

Next Sunday 11th THE XXIV SUNDAY

IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday for Sunday

5:30pm Vigil Mass Alice Macklin RIP

SUNDAY

9:00am Holy Mass George Cassidy RIP

11:00am Solemn Mass Pro Populo

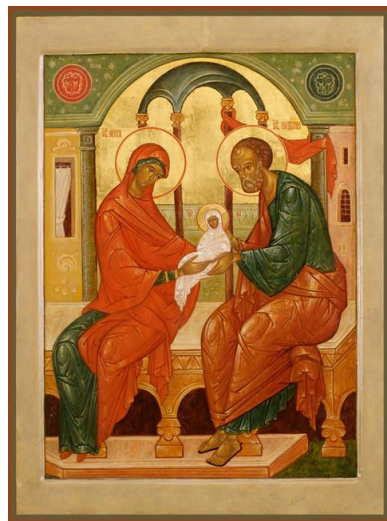
The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 10:30am – 11:00am & 4:45pm – 5:15pm

Rosary Monday – Friday before the morning Mass

Saturday after the morning Mass

Divine Mercy - During Adoration on Fridays



THE NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

The Blessed Virgin Mary occupies a unique role and place in the history of salvation. The Most Blessed Trinity has reserved for Mary the highest mission ever extolled to any creature. Through her generous "fiat" (Be it done!) to God's will, salvation has come into the world. For this reason, heaven and earth rejoice at her birth. Let us thank the Most Blessed Trinity for giving us the Blessed Virgin Mary as the Mother of Our Lord Jesus Christ and as our mother!

FATHER CRAIG SZMIDT

This weekend we welcome Fr Szmidt to the Sunday Masses to tell us about his work as the Vocations Director of the Archdiocese. Please pray for him and for vocations to the Sacred Priesthood. We pray that God will give to the Church holy priests. Our day of prayer, that all churches undertake for the Archdiocese, is on Monday 7th November. That day we will have Eucharistic Adoration all day.

THE SEASON OF CREATION

This ecumenical season is dedicated to prayer and action for the protection of creation. It is a time to renew our relationships with God our Creator, and with all creation, as we join together in prayer.



The Season of Creation 2022: Invite from the Birmingham Justice and Peace Commission

We wish to encourage all our Catholic family - parishes, schools, communities and individuals to join in prayer to mark the Season of Creation from 1 September to 4 October - the feast of Saint Francis of Assisi.

The theme for this year is 'Listen to the Voice of Creation'. This year's symbol is the burning bush.

Let us pray: Almighty God, Creator and Lord of the world, you have blessed the whole creation and made humanity its guardian. Let all your children in spirit and truth rejoice with you.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen



POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR SEPTEMBER

Abolition of the Death Penalty

We pray that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country

Recently Deceased – May they rest in peace

Michael Gorman –

Reception Thursday 15th September 5:00pm

Requiem Mass Friday 16th 10:30am

Molly Dawson –

Reception Tuesday 20th September 5:00pm

Requiem Mass Wednesday 21st 10:00am

Maureen Blaney

Susan Healy, Fr Dermot Felon

THE SANCTUARY LAMPS This week have been sponsored anonymously.

Sponsor a sanctuary lamp for Anniversaries or Intentions - £5. Please use envelopes provided for Mass Intentions and Sanctuary Lamp sponsorship.

WEEKLY GIVING TO THE CHURCH

28.08.22 – Gift Aid £148.00.00 Non-Gift Aid: £279.42
Total £427.42

SECOND COLLECTIONS

March for Life – £222.02

This Weekend - Priests' Training Fund

Next Weekend – Catholic Education Service

GIFT AID AND NON-GIFT AID DONATIONS

Thank you to those who have agreed to change to standing order donations. For more information on how to do this please contact the Parish office. Paying by standing order reduces the bank charges for the parish.

Office Hours; The Parish Office is open between 10:30am and 2:30pm Mon, Tue & Wed. Any requests for Baptism Appointments, certificates, parish centre enquiries etc; should be made during these times. Tel. 0121 743 2367 or Email: stthomasmore.bham@rcaob.org.uk

PARISH DIARY

SEPTEMBER

Monday 5th

The Start of the Academic Year

Saturday 10th

Refresher Day for parish liturgical ministers

At Saint Nicholas Boldmere. 10:00am – 3:00pm

Saturday 17th

A Day for Ministers of the Liturgy

Saint Ambrose Barlow Hall Green 10:00am – 3:00pm

OCTOBER

Sunday 2nd

Afternoon Tea 3:00pm – Parish Hall

Friday 7th – Monday 10th

'Lourdes is coming to us'

NOVEMBER

Monday 7th

The Day of Prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood

Saturday 19th

Christmas Bizarre 11:00am – 2:00pm

BAPTISM PREPARATION

This is an important part of getting ready for the actual celebration of Holy Baptism. The next meeting is **Tuesday 13th September, at 6:30pm**, after the evening Mass.

GATHERED

A new Diocesan Parish Youth Leaders Network - *Gathered* - is to be launched online next month.

It is aimed at all volunteers engaged in youth ministry, or who are looking to get started, and will be launched online on Zoom on Thursday 22 September.

The Kenelm Youth Trust (KYT), in partnership with the Archdiocese, is launching *Gathered* to respond to the needs of young people and parish youth leaders.

It will be led by the Birmingham Catholic Youth Service (BCYS), the parish youth ministry branch of KYT.

The *Gathered* initiative developed out of a conversation earlier this year with current parish youth leaders and prospective leaders at KYT's 'Proud 2 Profess' event at St Mary's College, Oscott.

Freya Scott, Engagement & Accompaniment Youth Ministry Worker at KYT, explained those in attendance had been discussing the recent Synodal conversations they'd experienced and the development of the **Diocesan Vision, Unfolding God's Plan**. More information on the Archdiocese website.

STEWARDS

Please can we have more help at the Sunday Masses. At the moment a few very faithful people are doing everything. More help would be greatly appreciated.

ST. THOMAS MORE'S PARISH TOTE
JACKPOT £600
Result for 31st August 2022
Winning Numbers 12-09-01-07
No Jackpot Winner – 1 Winner with 3 Numbers
Next Draw Wednesday 7th September after Mass
1 play = £1.00 for 4 numbers - 5 plays = 1 FREE GO
Match 4 numbers = Share Jackpot £250+
Match 3 numbers = share £75+